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Chapter 1301: News of the Essence Ping World!

"However... This sounds more like a massive conspiracy..." Kou Chongxue chuckled coldly, "If it's so easy to enter the Martial Void Realm, why would our world only possess 13 True Immortals?"

Along with the growth of the Spirit Luxuriant World, they continued to interact with other worlds. The various powers gradually got to know about the cap on True Immortals of a Spirit World.

From that point alone, the great powers that possessed True Immortals were already leagues ahead of them. They were starting to expand their influence as much as possible.

The most obvious show of strength was how every single True Immortal came from the great powers and the great powers alone.

Every single Elysium had 2 or more experts in the Martial Void Realm, and the only ones who were different were Lu Wuzi and Yin Jingxu. However, Lu Wuzi used to come from the Northern Sea Mystic Sect, leaving Yin Jingxu as the only expert who hailed from a faction of his own.

Of course... The ancient inheritance they were in possession of was the reason behind his rise.

Regardless, learning that there was a limit to the number of True Immortals a Spirit World could hold was as if a fuse had been lit among the high-level experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World.

Alas... No lucky soul managed to successfully enter the Martial Void Realm other than those from the great powers.

"Those people who tried might be in too much of a rush, or they might just be unlucky. If they were patient enough to wait for 2 years, they might be able to succeed when you bring the world fragment back..." Kou Chongxue chuckled in a cold voice, but he didn't seem to have a favorable opinion of those experts who tried to advance.

"Will there be anyone who tries to collude with foreign worlds?" Shang Xia thought of another important implication.

It was painfully obvious. After all, be it the Spirit Abundance World, Spirit Mammoth World, or the Star Origin Dao Field... None of them wished to see a rapidly progressing Spirit Luxuriant World. Even the Spirit Tinkle World and Spirit Thistle World might not be willing to watch their allies grow stronger and spoil the balance in strength.

At the end of the day, the Spirit Worlds and the Star Origin Dao Field were still competing against each other.

Kou Chongxue laughed, "Relax. The situation within our world is still under control. However, there's something else I need you to take part in. Actually, if you didn't return, I would contact you with our secret art in a year and a half or so."

Seeing how serious Kou Chongxue was, Shang Xia couldn't help but frown. "What's the matter?"

"It's the Essence Ping World!" Kou Chongxue spoke of a name that caused Shang Xia's heart to thump. "The Spirit Abundance World, Spirit Mammoth World, and the Star Origin Dao Field seem ready to make their move on the Essence Ping World!"

"How are they so confident they will succeed?" Shang Xia couldn't help but wonder out loud.

Since he could basically confirm that the Star Origin Lord was in the Essence Ping World and was trying to replace the World's Will with his soul, he wondered how the Spirit Worlds and the Star Origin Dao Field would dare to invade the Essence Ping World.

Even if the Star Origin Lord's soul was locked in battle with the Essence Ping World's Will, he was an existence close to the grand completion stage of the Martial Emptiness Realm and might be able to enter the Eighth Order...

That was the Eighth Order they were talking about! It was a realm no one dared to dream of!

Be it Shang Xia or Kou Chongxue, they didn't even know what it was called!

If a Martial Emptiness Realm Sage could annihilate an Azure World, destroying a Spirit World would be nothing for an existence at the Eighth Order...

Seemingly able to detect Shang Xia's shock, Kou Chongxue explained, "They're planning to surround the region around the Essence Ping World. Moreover, they also plan to nourish the world so that the World's Will would be able to resist the Star Origin Lord's soul and restrain it to a greater extent."

His explanation cleared the fog up for Shang Xia instantly. They were planning to slowly grind away at the Star Origin Lord's soul!

After thinking for some time, Shang Xia asked, "Are the 3 of them the only powers taking part in the operation?"

Kou Chongxue laughed, "Of course not. The Star Origin Dao Field extended the invitation to the Spirit Thistle World, Spirit Tinkle World, and us. However... Only high-level True Immortals are qualified to take part in the operation."

Nodding slowly, Shang Xia understood that if the Star Origin Dao Field were to really work together with the 2 great Spirit Worlds, the Spirit Thistle World, Spirit Tinkle World, and their Spirit Luxuriant World wouldn't be able to sit still.

"So... Your breakthrough to the fifth tier came at the perfect time!" Kou Chongxue burst into laughter after he spoke.

Shang Xia agreed, but he was still filled with a strange sense of anxiety.

He understood that the Star Origin Dao Field and the 2 great Spirit Worlds were probably making their move on the Essence Ping World because they had no other choice.

"Sending the Spirit World Ark back to our world will take some time and I have to escort it personally. Please take care of the preparations back in our world." Shang Xia eventually spoke after making his calculations.

"Yeah." Kou Chongxue grunted, "This is the best chance for Sun Haiwei and Ge Qingzhu to break through... I still need to think of the best way to split up the world fragment... Alright, I'm in no rush to go back. What do you think if we..."

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When Shang Xia left the Star Beast Nest, he secretly brought 20 experts of the Tongyou Institution away, including Hai Yuanyuan who had just completed the fourth round of her fate dipper essence refinement.

Kou Chongxue left long ago after verifying the plan to split up the world fragment.

Now that he was bringing back a Spirit World fragment, the Spirit Luxuriant World's growth would be greatly accelerated, and the Tongyou Institution also hoped to gain the biggest share of the pie.

With the addition of 20 mid to high-level experts of the institution, Song Zhen was no longer stuck in a tough spot when driving the Spirit World Ark.

Of those who were brought by Shang Xia, a bunch of them were from the Formation Hall. After laying down some formations on the ark to establish a connection with their Star Observatory back in the Tongyou Elysium, they went straight to the world fragment to study the intricate formations around it to see how it was transported.

Even though it was all of their first time trying to navigate an ark, they learned quickly under Shang Xia and Song Zhen's tutelage. Not only were the True Immortals able to hand over a good portion of their responsibilities, the Spirit World Ark also traveled much faster than before.

Some time passed, and eventually, the Spirit World Ark emerged from chaotic space and arrived in the region of space around the Spirit Luxuriant World.

The moment they arrived, they no longer required the guidance of the Star Observatory. Shang Xia could rely on his soul brand on the world to determine where they should travel.

As they accelerated, Shang Xia could feel that the Spirit Luxuriant World was extremely excited about his return.

At the same time, a strange feeling of being spied on arrived, and Shang Xia instantly recognized where it came from. The Stargazers of the Heavenly Star Palace probably discovered them!

Chapter 1302: Returning to the Origin and Continental Ascension

As they learned more and more about the state of foreign worlds and the current state of the worlds connected to the Star Origin Dao Field, the Spirit Luxuriant World had increased their frequency of patrol around their world. At the same time, the Star Observatories of the Heavenly Star Palace and the Tongyou Institution would pay attention to any anomalies appearing in the region of space they were located in.

Their defensive system seemed really successful. At the very least, Shang Xia and the Spirit World Ark were discovered not too long after they arrived.

According to the requirements set by the great powers of the Spirit Luxuriant World, a patrol squad would be able to rush over to any region of space where something strange was detected to attempt an interception.

However, disciples of the Tongyou Institution were on board and they managed to establish a communication channel with the Spirit Luxuriant World to prevent any misunderstandings.

Shang Xia wasn't in a state to care about any of them as he seemed to have formed a connection to the You Continent. Even though he was far away, he had a feeling he would be able to complete the final transformation and enter the fifth tier of the Six Direction Realm with a single thought!

However... He managed to suppress his urges to do that.

The first reason was that he was still in the void. Even though he would be able to reach the next level of cultivation, the You Continent was physically too far away and he wouldn't be able to properly control what happened there. His breakthrough would naturally cause a massive disturbance, but he didn't plan to reveal his advancement to the entire world.

Secondly... He hoped that after the integration of the Spirit World Source, he would receive the World's Will blessing while breaking through. He might be able to grow even more from it, shortening his cultivation in the level of Returning to the Origin.

Also, he had a sneaking suspicion that breaking through with the World's Will blessing would be of greater benefit.

Especially after experiencing what happened during his trip to find the Essence Xing World, he understood the plan of the Dachen Emperor who wanted to free himself from the restraints of the world. He had a vague feeling he would be eventually taking the same path.

Just as Shang Xia was pondering his cultivation reaching the level of Returning to the Origin, Hai Yuanyuan went over to greet the patrol squad on behalf of the Tongyou Institution. The patrol squad came because it was their job, but they already knew that there would be no fights breaking out that day.

Once she was done, the Spirit World Ark continued on its way.

As it approached the Spirit Luxuriant World, the World's Will seemed to be able to sense it was about to receive something good. Heaven and earth qi in the Spirit Luxuriant World seemed to become more active, and many cultivators could feel the difference. Various factions tried to look for the source of the change but to no avail.

Unlike those factions, the True Immortals of the great powers could pretty much guess what happened.

Actually, close to 2 months ago when the Tongyou Institution started to make some unusual movements, the other factions had already been keeping an eye on them. Unfortunately, they didn't know what the Tongyou Institution was up to.

The first thing the institution did was to send out 90 percent of their mid to high-level disciples.

A portion of them rushed straight to the Bing Continent to meet up with the members of the Five Mountains Alliance. Under Ge Qingzhu's lead, they continued to push south before standing against the experts of the Divine Capital Sect. It looked as though a massive war was about to break out!

Another portion of them left for the newly established Hai Continent. They met up with their disciples who also came from the Jiao Continent and all of them took orders from Sun Haiwei.

It was said that even members of the Tianya Pavilion were cooperating with the Tongyou Institution.

Finally, the last group was deployed to assist Deputy Patriarch Shang Bo. There, experts like Dou Zhong, Yan Ming, and Tian Mengzi were gathered. They went east to where they had been expanding in the past. They pressed against the border of the You Continent and the Ji Continent where the Triple Frost Palace was, scaring them so much that they ran to beg the Northern Sea Mystic Sect for help.

In the Liao Continent where the Changbai Sect, the long-time allies of the Tongyou Institution, stood, experts poured into Tongyou City to ask if the institution required their assistance. Naturally, their real goal was to probe the Tongyou Institution to uncover what their operation was all about.

It was said that their actions of pressuring the Divine Capital Sect and Triple Frost Palace had enraged Li Jidao and Zhang Xuansheng, who went to demand an explanation from Kou Chongxue.

The Eternal Palace and Yuanchen Sect even stepped in to ask the Tongyou Institution to restrain themselves as Yang Taihe and Liu Jingsheng tried communicating with Kou Chongxue to find out what was happening.

Of the final 2 great powers, Lu Wuzi was standing guard in Star Beast Nest No.1, and he immediately expressed his neutral stance on the basis that he wasn't in the Spirit Luxuriant World to deal with any changes there.

The Heavenly Star Palace was even more amazing. They stated that their Palace Master was in seclusion and refused any contact with the others.

As for Kou Chongxue... Even if he could ignore the opinions of the other factions with his cultivation and the Tongyou Institution's power, he had to pretend to be civil at the very least. Whatever it was, the Tongyou Institution's current strength could already dominate the rest of the Spirit Luxuriant World and he decided that pretending to care about the others was the approach he would take.

Regarding the matter with the Bing Continent, he decided to fuck around with the Divine Capital Sect and start pushing the blame around.

As for the Ji Continent, Kou Chongxue simply grumbled about how the Triple Frost Palace was too much of a wuss. Shang Bo hadn't entered their territory, and he most definitely hadn't started a war. More importantly, Kou Chongxue emphasized the fact that they had no bad intentions and were merely mucking about when the Triple Frost Palace tried to make a mountain out of a molehill.

2 months passed with the Spirit Luxuriant World being in a state of extreme stress.

As the Spirit World Ark got closer, the True Immortals finally discovered the World's Will desire to grow stronger and discovered what was happening.

They understood that the Tongyou Institution managed to find more 'food' for their world, and sightings of the strange ark had already reached them. They didn't doubt for a second Shang Xia was personally protecting the weird ship.

With Kou Chongxue's strong stance in the Spirit Luxuriant World and Shang Xia personally returning, there was no doubt they were setting up the foundations for the True Immortal candidates of the Tongyou Institution to break through!

Both high-level True Immortals of the Spirit Luxuriant World being from the same faction was already a massive headache the other great powers couldn't do anything about.

They might not know the secrets of the strange ship Shang Xia was driving back, but they could tell it had far surpassed anything the worlds connected to Star Origin Dao Field revealed. The treasures it contained were able to stir the World's Will, and many factions were starting to get worked up.

It was a shame that snatching the benefits from the Tongyou Institution was impossible. Even if everyone decided to form a massive alliance, they couldn't do jack shit to the 2 monstrous highlevel True Immortals of the Tongyou Institution!

However... No one said they couldn't make deals with the Tongyou Institution to obtain a portion of the World's Will blessing.

Chapter 1303: The Plot Thickens

Even Shang Xia didn't know how to estimate the size of the world fragment the Spirit World Ark was carrying.

Song Zhen was merely carrying out his mission when he brought the world fragment to the Essence Xing World and he naturally didn't know how many continents the fragment contained or how much world origin was left.

Only when the Spirit World Ark passed through the heavenly screen and released the powerful restrictions did they finally discover what it contained. Along with a terrifying storm that swept across the world, Shang Xia noticed a massive piece of land appearing in the skies above the Spirit Luxuriant World as it slowly descended.

Anyone under the world fragment would notice that all light had been blotted out by the massive landmass, and everything was thrown into complete darkness.

Any cultivator who had the ability to fly rose into the skies as they rushed towards the floating world that appeared suddenly, hoping to find out what was happening.

At that moment, Shang Xia stood above the world fragment as he expanded his domain to its limit. The members of the Tongyou Institution who made their preparations quickly moved to receive the world fragment and it was stopped in place as it hovered in the skies.

The world fragment was 40,000 miles across and close to 10,000 miles wide. A majority of the landmass was made up of land, while the rest was filled with the sea.

After releasing the restriction on the world fragment and feeling the world origin leaking from it did Shang Xia understand why they had to release the restrictions under the heavenly screen.

He knew that they had to split it up as quickly as possible. Otherwise, even though a majority of the world origin would still be assimilated to the Spirit Luxuriant World, others would definitely take advantage of the world origin that had leaked.

Shang Xia basically obtained the world fragment alone and the Tongyou Institution had to receive the greatest share of the pie!

Kou Chongxue suddenly appeared beside Shang Xia as they stood above the world fragment.

"Are our preparations completed?" Shang Xia asked as soon as Kou Chongxue arrived.

Kou Chongxue chuckled in response, "They don't even know what we're planning, how can they be prepared to mess with us? Naturally, we thought of all angles. The only confrontation we had was when I clashed with Zhang Xuansheng once in the Ji Continent. I could tell that the old fool was trying his best to hide his true strength. He should have reached the peak of the level of External Unity and should be able to break through to the fourth tier soon... Yang Taihe is most definitely not his opponent at this point."

Shang Xia nodded slowly and continued, "He's definitely hiding a lot of secrets. No matter what, the situation between our Azure Origin World and the Azure Spiritual World back then is just too strange. Whatever it is, in front of absolute strength, he won't dare to do much."

Lowering his gaze, Kou Chongxue looked at the world fragment beneath his feet before staring into the void. He didn't meet the gaze of those who had arrived and simply asked Shang Xia, "What do you plan to do next?"

"We'll do this according to the plan we came up with. You'll split this up! After all, your Hidden Frost Sword is much better at cutting things up precisely."

Kou Chongxue burst into laughter and pointed at Shang Xia while chiding, "Damn brat! Alright, fine! I'll take advantage of your achievements this once!"

After he spoke, the Hidden Frost Sword in his hand slashed in the eastern direction, cutting off a huge chunk of land. Before it could fall freely towards the land below, Sun Haiwei and the disciples of the institution grabbed it and started to slowly drag it towards the Hai Continent. Members of the Tianya Pavilion also came to help.

When the Hai Continent was established, it was merely 6,000 miles across and its foundations couldn't even be compared to the Sha Continent or Yan Continent, which were already the most desolate continents on the Spirit Luxuriant World.

With a single slash of his sword, Kou Chongxue separated close to 10,000 miles of land of the Hai Continent. It was more than a quarter of the world fragment. A third of the landmass he allocated contained bodies of water, but that didn't matter.

Once the landmass was integrated into the Hai Continent, the size of the Hai Continent would most likely surpass 10,000 miles. The world origin it contained would also be greatly replenished, and even if the Hai Continent couldn't be compared to the You Continent, it wouldn't be too lacking.

With a portion of the world fragment separated, world origin started to leak at an even faster pace. Kou Chongxue couldn't help but look at Shang Xia and ask, "Should we continue?"

"Yes." Shang Xia muttered after a short moment of contemplation.

Without hesitation, Kou Chongxue's sword cut away a 5,000 mile chunk of land which contained the last body of water that was cut away and fell towards the east of the You Continent where a massive ocean was.

When Shang Xia entered the Six Direction Realm, the You Continent was barely 8,000 miles wide. As he continued to develop it, the size of the You Continent increased gradually and reached the

10,000 miles mark. However, the calculation of their landmass didn't include the islands that existed to the east of the continent.

The moment the landmass was integrated into the You Continent, it would experience yet another expansion.

More importantly, the You Continent's expansion already allowed it to stretch past the Liao Continent and nearly connect to the Ji Continent in the east!

Once that happened, the Tongyou Institution's plan to obtain the Ji Continent would no longer be hidden.

After making 2 cuts to the world fragment, the high-level True Immortals of the Tongyou Institution hovered in mid air and no longer showed any signs of movement.

Shang Xia quickly laughed, "Are you really not planning to strengthen the foundations of your Jiao Continent?"

Shaking his head, Kou Chongxue muttered, "The Jiao Continent is too big and fragmented. It's difficult for me to fully control the World Origin Source connected to it and if I continue to expand, we might just lose it to others. I'll deal with it in the future..."

The Jiao Continent might be fragmented, but it had already reached a size of 13,000 miles.

The only problem they were facing was that the World Origin Source connected to it was a little lacking. It's weaker than the You Continent, but still stronger than most of the continents of the Spirit Luxuriant World. Otherwise, it wouldn't have been able to support Kou Chongxue's cultivation at the fourth tier of the Martial Void Realm.

World origin was still pouring out from the world fragment, but by that time, the Formation Hall had already laid down simple formations to control the world origin that was emerging.

Integration of the landmasses couldn't be done instantly. It would take some time, but there were things that could be done in the meantime. For example... Sun Haiwei had already swallowed her advancement medicine and was using the blessing of the World's Will along with the torrential amount of world origin to start her breakthrough to the Martial Void Realm

Chapter 1304: Sit Down Fool!

The landmass might not be able to be integrated into the Spirit Luxuriant World instantly, but the blessing of the world would descend once the process started.

The Hai Continent was filled with the cultivators of the Tongyou Institution who had laid down countless formations while taking up defensive positions.

Under Sun Haiwei's lead, the landmass was brought over to the Hai Continent and once the world origin started to be integrated into the Spirit Luxuriant World, she swallowed her advancement medicine.

With the Tongyou Institution focused on nurturing her, along with the massive support from Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia, Sun Haiwei and Ge Qingzhu had already established a strong foundation. They had the qualifications to attempt a breakthrough to the Martial Void Realm, but in order to increase their chances, Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue requested that they not be too impatient. All

they were required to do was to strengthen their foundations even more and wait for the best opportunity to break through.

Of course, the reason Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue hoped they would wait wasn't just because they were afraid accidents might occur during the process, but they also had no need to rush things as the Tongyou Institution had the only 2 high-level Free True Immortals of the Spirit Luxuriant World. They were in no rush to nurture more True Immortals.

However, with Shang Xia obtaining a Spirit World fragment, there couldn't be a better time for them to attempt the breakthrough!

Ensuring she was in her peak state, Sun Haiwei didn't hesitate to swallow her advancement medicine that had been prepared some time ago. With the powerful surge of world origin, she completed the transformation of her dantian in one go.

With the transformation process complete, the only thing that was left to do was to brand her soul into the world. Somewhere in the eastern border of the Hai Continent, 3 Martial Dipper Realm experts of the Tianya Pavilion who broke through recently were grumbling to Lady Yu.

"Pavilion Master, wouldn't our Tianya Pavilion be unable to raise our heads up high if the World Origin Source of the Hai Continent is controlled by the Tongyou Institution so easily?" One of the new Martial Dipper Realm elders growled. He felt that the Tianya Pavilion had given up far too much to the Tongyou Institution and was extremely unhappy about it.

The other Martial Dipper Realm elders might not have said anything yet, but it was clear there was an indignant look on the faces of a few of them.

Lady Yu glanced at them. She was both mature and elegant, but there was a solemn look in her eyes. Along with her dignified aura, the elders of the Tianya Pavilion didn't dare to meet her gaze. In the end, she chuckled softly and asked casually, "What has the organization of the Hai Continent got to do with you?"

The elder who spoke earlier stuttered, "This... This... Our Tianya Pavilion is the strongest faction out here and the Hai Continent should naturally belong to us. After all, we established ourselves here since..."

Lady Yu didn't seem to care much about what was said and continued to ask, "Did you establish the Hai Continent?"

The elder's expression crumpled, but he maintained his stance, "But, our Tianya Pavilion gave it our all and we played a part in its creation..."

Lady Yu laughed once again, but this time, the mockery in her voice couldn't be hidden. "The Hai Continent will reach a size of 10,000 miles with this. Did you head out to the sea of stars to obtain any portion of land to make this continent?"

The elder was greatly embarrassed, but he couldn't back down. He could only force himself to continue, "Pavilion Master, why are you standing up for those people who took over this continent?"

Lady Yu was too lazy to continue looking at the elder who was being used as the mouthpiece of the rest, so she swept her gaze across the others before sighing, "That's because I'm afraid! It's not scary if you go and kill yourself by standing up to the Tongyou Institution. I'm afraid your stupidity will destroy our Tianya Pavilion, which we spent so many years building up!"

Seeing as she had turned around to leave, the elder whose forehead was dripping in sweat yelled, "Pavilion Master, how can you be so short-sighted? Have you not thought of fighting for a chance at ascension for the future experts of our Tianya Pavilion?!"

A powerful aura emerged from Lady Yu's body as her fourth element Martial Dipper Realm cultivation was revealed. Several elders around him were forced to take several steps back because of the pressure that emerged. However, the elder who spoke wasn't spared. Lady Yu focused her aura on him and he spat out a mouthful of blood.

"Even if someone from our Tianya Pavilion has the qualifications to enter the Martial Void Realm, it won't be someone who speaks nonsense and affects everyone's mood. I wonder how you managed to develop your willpower after reaching such a high level of cultivation. Did you only manage to advance during the establishment of the Hai Continent?" Lady Yu sneered as she retracted her aura. She returned to the newest location of their Tianya Pavilion and 2 other Martial Dipper Realm elders followed closely behind.

The other 2 who were left behind glanced at each other and saw the disappointment in each other's eyes. However, they still brought the injured elder before following her.

Actually, there was something Lady Yu hadn't revealed to the rest of the Tianya Pavilion. She received a promise from Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue that if the Tianya Pavilion really nurtured an expert who had the qualification to enter the Martial Void Realm, they would lend their strength to support the Tianya Pavilion to produce an Elysium of their own.

There could be 33 True Immortals in the Spirit Luxuriant World, and other than 24 Free True Immortals who ascended with the spirituality of the continents, there could be 9 Elysium True Immortals!

In the Tianya Pavilion, she was the only person who had any hopes of entering the Martial Void Realm, and with their shallow foundations, there was no way she could hope to become a Free True Immortal.

As such, her true goal was to borrow the strength of the Tongyou Institution to produce the Tianya Elysium before trying to become an Elysium True Immortal!

Only then would the Tianya Pavilion possess enough qualifications to become a top-tier power of their world.

From a certain standpoint, an Elysium True Immortal was better suited to protect their sect's inheritance than Free True Immortals.

A faction could only grow stronger when their foundations were completely protected. Lady Yu's vision for the Tianya Pavilion wasn't to grow as quickly as a certain faction. She didn't need to be

eye-catching at all. Instead, she valued stability over all else. She wanted to ensure that the Tianya Pavilion's foundation was so secure that no one would be able to destroy them!

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The world fragment hovering in mid air might have close to half of it separated by Kou Chongxue, but the main bulk maintained close to 60 percent of the world fragment's essence.

Despite the massive treasure in the skies, no one dared to confront the 2 high-level True Immortals protecting it. The only thing the various factions could do was to send transmission talismans over in an attempt to make contact.

"The World Origin Source connected to the You Continent is growing once again!" Kou Chongxue chuckled suddenly.

Chapter 1305: You Get a Piece, You Get a Piece, You Also Get a Piece!

As the main territory of the Tongyou Institution, the You Continent has always been the focus of development.

It was especially so after Shang Xia entered the Six Direction Realm. The You Continent continued to expand and it had already surpassed 10,000 miles.

Moreover, the growth of the You Continent was different from the other continents. Shang Xia was able to fully control the growth of the You Continent, and when he returned to the Spirit Luxuriant World, his soul could encompass the entire continent and everything would happen with a single thought.

That was something Kou Chongxue couldn't do to the Jiao Continent.

It was also why Kou Chongxue rejected Shang Xia's recommendation for him to take a portion of the world fragment to strengthen the Jiao Continent.

With the infusion of the world fragment into the You Continent which was already 10,000 miles large, it increased 2,000 miles and was starting to rival the size of the Jiao Continent.

Despite being a little smaller, the You Continent's foundations far surpassed the Jiao Continent. Also, with the You Continent linked up with the newest addition, it was much stronger than the fragmented Jiao Continent.

Also, even with the You Continent's expansion, it didn't surpass whatever Shang Xia'ss soul could control.

The blessing of the World's Will descended on Shang Xia, who had strengthened the Hai Continent and You Continent with the world fragment he obtained. He entered a special state of mind, akin to enlightenment.

Stepping through the gates into the fifth tier, he reached the level of Returning to the Origin for real! With the blessing of the world, he used it to develop his Six Harmony Flawless Rod Technique, Six Harmony Rod Technique, and his comprehension of the Variant Formation Talisman through the principles of the Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman.

The World Origin Source connected to the Hai Continent was starting to fluctuate, and Sun Haiwei's soul had entered the World Origin Source, ready to brand itself into the Spirit Luxuriant World.

Her attempt was reaching its end, and the moment she succeeded, a new True Immortal would be born!

It was then that the first faction came knocking.

Grand Elders of the Zhongxuan Gate of the Yan Continent, Xuan Shou and Xuan Chang went to pay their respects to Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue. Kou Chongxue carved out a landmass of 3,000 miles for them after reaching an agreement.

The Yan Continent was the smallest continent in the Spirit Luxuriant World and was surrounded by enemies. Even though the Zhongxuan Gate had been desperately trying to develop the land, they were unable to pass the 5,000 miles mark.

They had been progressing rapidly, but so had the Spirit Luxuriant World. Their improvement wasn't impressive when compared to everyone else.

Fortunately, the World Origin Source connected to the Yan Continent had been well protected by the Zhongxuan Gate. With the 3,000 mile landmass Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia gave, they would be able to increase their landmass by 2,000 miles at the very least.

When it reached a size of 7,000 miles, the Yan Continent would no longer be the weakest continent in the Spirit Luxuriant World!

More importantly, once it reached that size, an expert at the peak of the Martial Dipper Realm would be able to attempt a breakthrough using the spirituality of the continent.

And if the Spirit Luxuriant World wished to ascend into an Essence World, all 24 continents would have to reach a state of perfection with a size of more than 10,000 miles.

Of course... It wasn't as though the Zhongxuan Gate didn't pay a price to obtain the landmass from the Tongyou Institution.

The Yong Continent was to the west of the Yan Continent, and the Yi Continent was to the north. The Qing and Xu Continents were to their east, and the Zhou Continent was connected to their south. The White Deer Sect of the Yi Continent had been unfriendly towards the Tongyou Institution from the very start, and the Divine Capital Sect that had been vying for control over the Bing Continent with the Tongyou Institution also made use of the Qing Continent for True Immortal Jiu Jing's ascension.

Under such circumstances, the Yan Continent's strategic location was extremely important if the Tongyou Institution wished to pressure its enemies.

The Tongyou Institution might have 2 high-level True Immortals and would be welcoming their third and fourth soon, but the status of True Immortals were lofty and they couldn't possibly interfere in the conflicts of their factions.

With Ge Qingzhu and Sun Haiwei attempting to enter the Martial Void Realm, the Tongyou Institution's high-level strength would take a massive hit regardless if they succeeded.

As such, the Zhongxuan Gate would help the Tongyou Institution to bear a portion of the pressure they would face.

Of course, if that was all, the Tongyou Institution wouldn't give out such a huge piece of land. The Zhongxuan Gate would also have to pay a huge tribute to the Tongyou Institution for many years down the road. They would also have to send high-level experts to coordinate with the actions of the institution. They basically tied themselves to the Tongyou Institution's war chariot in order to get their hands on the land.

When the new landmass was being integrated into the Yan Continent, the World Origin Source connected to it would start to expand. When that happened, the Yan Continent, which hadn't supported the birth of any True Immortals, would be at its weakest and prone to attacks.

Having already thought of the implications, Kou Chongxue silently appeared in the skies above the Yan Continent. As a high-level True Immortal, he stood guard for the development of the Yan Continent, preventing any True Immortals from taking the chance to steal world origin.

The growth of the Yan Continent also brought about a round of World Will's blessing, and it landed on the members of the Zhongxuan Gate. However, a portion of it still went to Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue as they were the ones who drove the change.

Watching how the Zhongxuan Gate managed to grab a slice of the heavenly pie, many other factions came knocking.

However, Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia didn't seem moved and simply followed their plan to meet with the Martial Dipper Realm ancestors of the Changbai Sect.

The relationship between the Changbai Sect and the Tongyou institution was as complicated as could be.

In the early years, before the fusion of the Azure Origin World and the Azure Spiritual World to form the Azure Ascension World, they had been mortal enemies who fought each other in the Battlefield Between the Two Worlds. Back then, the Tongyou Institution didn't even have the qualifications to go against the Changbai Sect directly and they were merely fighting a proxy, the great clans of the Liao Continent.

Along with Kou Chongxue's rise and the strengthening of the Tongyou Institution which led to the situation in the Battlefield Between the Two Worlds tilting to their side, their relationship with the Changbai Sect changed to one of cooperation.

Along with the fusion of both worlds, the Battlefield Between the Two Worlds disappeared. After that, Elysiums rose and both factions started to work together and became close allies.

Next, Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia became True Immortals and the Tongyou Holy Land became an Elysium, becoming a top-tier power of the Spirit Luxuriant World. The Changbai Sect changed their approach and blindly followed the instructions of the Tongyou Institution. Their relationship remained as good friends.

They could argue that throughout their cooperation, the Changbai Sect had always been able to adapt to their circumstances.

That was also why the Tongyou Institution felt that they needed to help the Changbai Sect out now that they had the ability to do so.

The Liao Continent had been the territory of the Changbai Sect for a long time, and it was close to 7,500 miles wide. It was an average continent in the Spirit Luxuriant World, but with the Tongyou Institution giving them 2,000 miles of land, they would probably be able to cross the 9,000 miles mark and become 1 step away from reaching a perfected state.

The ancestors of the Changbai Sect brought the landmass back to the Liao Continent and the situation became similar to the Zhongxuan Gate. However, they chose several promising disciples to carry out the integration so as to split the blessing of the World's Will among them.

With that, the landmass they brought back was nearly 80 percent gone. However... The last 20 percent of the land they had contained 30 percent of its world essence!

Chapter 1306: Catch

After their allocation, the world fragment left shrunk by a lot. It was close to a small continent.

They no longer split the landmass up as they seemed to be waiting for something.

No one knew how long had passed when a pillar of spiritual light shot into the skies from the direction of the Hai Continent. It was so powerful it nearly broke through the heavenly screen.

At the same time, a formless barrier started to spread from the center of the Hai Continent and it encompassed nearly 60 percent of the continent.

Looking at the heavenly phenomenon, Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue revealed joyful expressions.

"Her domain has formed and she should have succeeded in stepping into the Martial Void Realm. She only has to consolidate her foundations and familiarize herself with her inner qi" Shang Xia laughed. "Our institution has another True Immortal now, and our world has 14 of us in total!"

Kou Chongxue stroked his beard he had been growing for some time with a look of satisfaction on his face. "I have already passed down the order to our disciples in the Hai Continent. Other than those who are required to stay behind during her seclusion, the rest can head over to the Bing Continent."

The smile on Shang Xia's face slowly faded and was replaced with a solemn expression once again. He nodded slightly. "It's time for Instructor Ge to start his attempt."

Sun Haiwei's success couldn't be hidden as the heavenly phenomenon could be seen by half the Spirit Luxuriant World. It didn't take long for the news to spread to the rest of the world.

Borrowing the boost in morale of her successful breakthrough, the other experts of the institution rushed to the Bing Continent to pressure the Divine Capital Sect down south once they met up with Ge Qingzhu and the members of the Five Mountains Alliance.

Facing the cultivators of the Tongyou Institution who seemed to be on steroids, the members of the Divine Capital Sect were quickly forced back. Of course, the might from the birth of a third True Immortal of the Tongyou Institution also helped.

When the Tongyou Institution controlled the Bing Continent, Ge Qingzhu quickly chose several elite subordinates before rushing to the landmass in mid air.

The Bing Continent was around 6,500 miles wide, and it had been one of the border continents. Its foundations were a little shallow and with the Tongyou Institution and Divine Capital Sect vying for control over it in recent years, it suffered huge damage. It was barely better than the Yan and the Hai Continent when it was just established.

When Ge Qingzhu and the rest arrived, Kou Chongxue, who returned from the Yan Continent, split the rest of the world fragment up. The larger piece was close to 7,000 miles wide and Ge Qingzhu and the rest dragged it over to the Bing Continent.

The smaller piece was sent flying to the east of the You Continent with a wave of Shang Xia's hand.

Kou Chongxue chuckled softly, "I thought that Lu Wuzi would jump out of nowhere and try his luck. I didn't think that the Ice Essence Sect would be so adamant about standing their ground and not requesting for any benefits this time."

Shang Xia thought for a second and sighed, "If the grace we show them is too big, it might turn into a grudge... This is best for all of us. After all... Even brothers related by blood should have their accounts settled without ambiguity."

"The entire world knows what our plan is now. The Northern Sea Mystic Sect will definitely go all out in the conflict in the Ji Continent. To prevent them from getting desperate and going crazy, it would be best if we destroy their morale and win without having to fight." Kou Chongxue nodded slowly and said.

Shang Xia nodded along. "When Instructor Ge also succeeds, I won't hide my cultivation anymore. When that happens... Zhang Xuansheng should know what to do."

"Relax. That old man has been in existence long enough... He knows what's good for him!" Kou Chongxue chuckled at the side.

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When Ge Qingzhu started the integration of the landmass into the Bing Continent, the blessing of the World's Will descended. Protected by the experts of the institution, he swallowed his advancement medicine and started his breakthrough to the Martial Void Realm.

While that was happening, another scene was playing out in the Triple Frost Palace in the Ji Continent.

Multiple Martial Dipper Realm experts and several Martial Extermination Realm higher-ups of the Triple Frost Palace gathered in their main hall. All of them had unsightly expressions while many of them were quarreling about something. A powerful sect with a Holy Land as their foundation had its main hall resembling a wet market. Of course, hidden behind their unsightly expressions were looks of shock and fright.

In the center of the hall sat 3 experts of the De generation. They looked at their disciples yelling angrily around them and the disappointment on their faces were all the more evident. They were frustrated that their disciples failed to meet their expectations.

"Enough! This is the main hall... What is the meaning of this?!" Jin Delin, whose face was completely black at that point, yelled, silencing the hall.

"What do you guys plan on doing now that the Tongyou Institution is pressing aggressively towards us?" Yin Dezheng swept his gaze across several disciples and asked.

Everyone started looking at each other, but eventually, one of the Martial Dipper Realm disciples who seemed to have the highest prestige stepped out and asked respectfully, "Ancestors, what is the Tongyou Institution's true motive? Are they planning to exterminate our Triple Frost Palace or are they planning to make us submit to them? Do they wish to chase us out of the Ji Continent so that they can swallow it whole, or are they merely planning to expand their influence here?"

Yin Dezheng, Jin Delin, and Hu Dexun revealed thunderous expressions while hearing the question.

That was because even they had no idea what the Tongyou Institution was up to!

To the current Triple Frost Palace, the Tongyou Institution was a godly beast that they had no hope of rivaling!

If they knew that this day would come, they would never have offended the Tongyou Institution in the first place.

Then again... Who could expect that the Tongyou Institution would rise to become the greatest power in the Spirit Luxuriant World in several tens of years? The institution that once occupied the most desolate of continents actually managed to reach such heights!

It was a shame there was no medicine for regret.

When the ancestors were at a loss of what to do, a transmission passed through the protection formation and rang the ears of everyone present in the hall.

"Our Spirit Luxuriant World is faced with foreign enemies at the moment. Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia won't make the fatal error by declaring war on you at the moment and cause massive internal strife. They have 1 plan, and 1 plan only. They wish to obtain the Ji Continent so that they can produce another True Immortal!"

The hushed whispers that were starting to break out in the hall were silenced once again by the voice.

The ancestors who had gloomy expressions quickly got to their feet, and they looked a lot more refreshed after hearing who it was. They were no stranger to the voice.

"True Immortal Zhang, please, grace us with your presence." Yin Dezheng spoke on behalf of the Triple Frost Palace.

A passage opened up in the protection formation of the Triple Frost Palace, but it wasn't a passage that was exactly very safe.

However, a soft chuckle rang through the air as a blurry figure at the end of the passage disappeared and reappeared in the hall a moment later.

The ancestors of the Triple Frost Palace quickly got to their feet and bowed. "We greet True Immortal Zhang!"

The person who arrived waved his hand nonchalantly and mumbled, "My true body can't travel across the continents easily, and I'm just a clone. Anyway, I'll just cut to the chase. How much of the World Origin Source that is connected to your Ji Continent can your Triple Frost Palace control?"

The ancestors exchanged a glance before Yin Dezheng answered, "With our Holy Land, we used to be able to control 60 percent of the World Origin Source connected to the continent. In recent years, the Ji Continent grew slightly and its size surpasses 7,000 miles. There should be more world origin now, but we should still be able to control more than half."

Zhang Xuansheng looked at them with a smile that didn't look like a smile. "Looks like your sect has really been putting in effort in controlling the continent..."

Jin Delin took a step forward and bowed respectfully to Zhang Xuansheng's clone. "True Immortal Zhang, please teach us how we should protect the World Origin Source connected to our Ji Continent!"

"It's easy. With you 3 alone, you will never be able to beat the Tongyou Institution. When the Ji Continent starts to expand later, you can't get greedy. No matter how much the World Origin Source connected to your Ji Continent grows, all you need to do is to maintain your control over 50 percent of it. I'll handle the rest!" Zhang Xuansheng's clone stated casually.

Hu Dexun's expression fluctuated slightly and he wanted to speak up multiple times, but he swallowed his words in the end.

Zhang Xuansheng's clone noticed the change in his expression, but didn't point it out. Instead, he continued, "If the Tongyou Institution wishes to control the spirituality of the Ji Continent, they need to control 60 percent of the World Origin Source at the very least. The final landmass up there is less than 3,500 miles in size, and if they try to integrate it into the Ji Continent, it might be able to surpass 10,000 miles. If you control as much as you can before, your portion of the World Origin Source connected to the Ji Continent might be reduced to a mere 35 percent. It might be even less. However, if my Northern Sea Mystic Sect interferes, we won't need to take too much. All we need to do is to take 20 percent or so and with whatever you control, the Tongyou Institution's plan will end in failure."

Yin Dezheng frowned. "True Immortal Zhang, if you are willing to help, our Triple Frost Palace can definitely maintain control over 50 percent of the World Origin Source connected to our continent. However... For you to take part in this, you will definitely have to offend the Tongyou Institution with their 2 high-level True Immortals..."

Zhang Xuansheng's clone didn't let the smile on his face fade. "What's the matter? Are you afraid I can't fight them? Hehe... My Northern Sea Mystic Sect also has 3 True Immortals. Even though we can't be compared to the Tongyou Institution, we're not lacking when it comes to controlling 20 percent of the World Origin Source. UnlessIt's not like we're trying to crowd them out, why would we lose then?"

Yin Dezheng nearly jumped in joy. "We would have to trouble the True Immortals of your Northern Sea Mystic Sect then..."

Zhang Xuansheng stroked his beard and laughed happily. He turned to look at Hu Dexun who hadn't spoken and snorted, "You don't seem too happy with my arrangements."

Frightened by the sudden question from the True Immortal, Hu Dexun tried to compose himself before he asked, "May I ask... If the Tongyou Institution's plan falls through, what will happen to the World Origin Source that your Northern Sea Mystic Sect controls? And..."

"Junior Brother Hu..." Yin Dezheng interrupted him before he could continue. "True Immortal Zheng naturally has his plans for the matter. Our Triple Frost Palace just needs to coordinate well with him and not worry about the rest!"

Hu Dexun was slightly taken aback as he stood there with his mouth agape, not knowing how to respond.

Zhang Xuansheng looked at the experts of the Triple Frost Palace with a profound light in his eyes before he turned to leave. His voice rang in the minds of everyone present when his figure was already nowhere to be seen. "I'll take my leave for now. True Immortal Shang and True Immortal Kou have already made their move. You guys are on your own for now."

The experts of the Triple Frost Palace poured out of the main hall and looked in the southwestern direction, seeing a massive floating island falling straight towards them.

Chapter 1307: SIT DOWN BITCH

When Shang Xia sent the final landmass towards its intended destination, Shang Bo, who was already prepared, brought the mid to high-level experts of the Tongyou Institution to drag it down towards the Ji Continent.

The land was naturally meant to be integrated into the Ji Continent, but Shang Bo and the rest could control which direction they wanted it to extend.

After all... The You Continent extended to the east and had gotten closer to the Ji Continent.

If they started to extend southwest, that would mean that even if both continents weren't connected, only a small sea would separate them.

The Tongyou Institution's move was vicious, but the great powers of the Spirit Luxuriant World couldn't say a word! At the end of the day, their actions served to accelerate the growth of their world, and that was all that mattered!

Shang Xia chuckled at Kou Chongxue after splitting up the world fragment before returning to the You Continent.

The World's Will blessing had always been on Shang Xia and he had been suppressing his growth for some time now. Now that he was back, the secrets of the world seemed to be completely revealed to him. In his eyes, everything seemed to change as he stepped through the gates of the level of Returning to the Origin to become a fifth tier True Immortal!

The level of Returning to the Origin represented when one returned to their natural state, or when they entered a state of perfection to be in perfect balance.

Entering that level was extremely important in the Martial Void Realm, or Six Direction Realm, as it meant that the True Immortal had consolidated everything they knew and their path of cultivation, ready to charge forth and grow stronger.

When he was fully immersed in the state of advancement, everyone felt that even though they could see Shang Xia standing there, he was no different from an ordinary mortal. Even True Immortals couldn't feel the slightest trace of aura on him, and those weaker couldn't even feel his presence.

Shang Xia could totally hide his presence from the other Immortals if he wished, but he found no need to do so.

After completing the final step of transformation, Shang Xia felt that he needed to adapt to the changes the advancement brought and there was no need to hide it from the rest of the world.

With him expanding the control he had over the World Origin Source connected to the You Continent, all nearby continents, which included the Bing, Ji(Azure Origin World), Ji(Azure Spiritual World), Liao, and even the Qing Continents felt an intense tremor.[1]

As soon as the disturbance started, the True Immortals of the Spirit Luxuriant World discovered the change.

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Yin Jingxu, who was in the Yi Continent furthest away from the You Continent, emerged from seclusion suddenly, shocking many cultivators.

"Palace master, why... Why have you emerged from seclusion? Didn't you say that we would only announce your breakthrough to the second tier after you consolidated your foundations? Did something happen?" Ha Deqing rushed over hastily but saw Yin Jingxu's gaze locked onto the horizon. There was a profound light flashing in his eyes.

Eventually, Yin Jingxu muttered, "I was still thinking too small... It's just the second tier of the Martial Void Realm. What was there for me to hide?"

Ha Deqing was shocked as he didn't know why Yin Jingxu would say that. It was completely different from what Yin Jingxu was thinking when he first entered seclusion, but he didn't think too much about it. He simply continued, "So according to our plan, should we hold a banquet and invite those with good relations over? After all... Our Heavenly Star Palace has a second tier True Immortal now."

Yin Jingxu waved his hand impatiently and snapped, "It's just a mere second tier of the Martial Void Realm. What's there to celebrate?"

Ha Deqing, whose jaws were agape, heard Yin Jingxu continue, "I thought that I could close the distance between the others, bringing our Heavenly Star Palace to greater heights... However, the others didn't remain idle. There's no need to hold a banquet for this lest we embarrass ourselves..."

Ha Deqing looked in the direction Yin Jingxu was looking in and fell deep into thought.

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Outside the Xiangyang Elysium of the Yuanchen Sect...

Huang Jinghan stared into the northeastern direction the moment he emerged and he hesitated slightly while mumbling, "Is this... The level of Returning to the Origin?"

Liu Jingsheng sighed, "Yes... Our Spirit Luxuriant World has our own fifth tier True Immortal now. At least in our world, my senses are still stronger than yours."

His tone changed suddenly and he asked, "It's definitely someone from the Tongyou Institution. Why don't we make a bet... Is it Kou Chongxue or Shang Xia?"

Without hesitation, Huang Jinghan muttered, "Of course it's Shang Xia..."

Liu Jingsheng nodded slowly and mumbled, "Indeed... In terms of cultivation speed, us Elysium True Immortals will never be able to surpass Free True Immortals..."

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Yang Taihe stared into the northeastern direction in the Eternal Palace and no one knew what he was thinking about.

True Immortal Yifan appeared behind him and asked in a low voice, "Ancestor, how should we respond to True Immortal Zhang?"

"What does his nonsense have to do with us?" Yang Taihe growled.

With a look of shock on his face, Yifan eventually nodded. "Yes, I understand."

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Under the Divine Capital Pagoda...

True Immortal Jiu Jing hastily returned from the Qing Continent and the moment he saw Li Jidao, he gasped, "Sect Leader, the World Origin Source connected to the Qing Continent is fluctuating violently. Even I find it hard to control. Also, the You Continent..."

"Sigh..." Li Jidao exhaled a long breath and his voice was chilly as he spoke again, "Don't bother with the You Continent for now. Just stay in your Qing Continent obediently. No one will try to steal your world origin, so there's that."

After he spoke, Li Jidao waved once with a look of extreme lethargy.

Jiu Jing seemed to understand what had happened and he didn't ask more. He bowed towards Li Jidao before rushing back to the Qing Continent.

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On the endless Northern Sea where the Northern Sea Continent stood... Zhang Xuansheng's massive figure stood above the surface of the water as Fei Xuzi and Zhang Jianzi stood behind him.

Zhang Xuansheng had been standing there for several hours, but he didn't give the order to do anything.

Zhang Jianzi eventually shot Fei Xuzi a glance.

Even though Fei Xuzi looked extremely unwilling, he could only grit his teeth and ask, "Patriarch... The You Continent has been trying to take over the Ji Continent's World Origin Source for some time now... The Triple Frost Palace is protecting their share of the World Origin Source... When should we make our move?"

"Make our move? What are you talking about?!" Zhang Xuansheng turned his head violently and snapped. A terrifying aura descended and anyone could tell he was irritated. Fei Xuzi and Zhang Jianzi couldn't help but take several steps back, but Zhang Jianzi obviously retreated even more.

Fei Xuzi gulped before he continued, "Didn't we promise the Triple Frost Palace to work with them to reduce the World Origin Source the Tongyou Institution can control?"

Zhang Jianzi lowered his head and took 2 more steps back silently.

Staring at Fei Xuzi, his newest Martial Void Realm disciple whose forehead was filled with sweat, Zhang Xuansheng's hope that he would at least be able to read the situation dimmed.

Too lazy to explain himself, he waved his hand and snorted, "What fucking promise? There's no more promise. We're not working with them anymore."

The stubborn Fei Xuzi wanted to continue to ask, but Zhang Jianzi was unable to watch him embarrass himself any further and quickly pulled his sleeves, stopping him from speaking further.

Zhang Xuansheng disappeared from where he once stood. He understood that the opportunity he was planning to use to enter the fourth tier had gone up in smoke, and he didn't know when he would be able to try again.

Chapter 1308: Do You Think It's The End?! It's Not!

"Elders, the Tongyou Institution has already started their encroachment on our World Origin Source. It's also starting to expand rapidly, giving them a chance to fight for control. What should we do now?"

The current Triple Frost Palace Master asked the ancestors.

Yin Dezheng exchanged a glance with the other 2 before speaking casually, "Didn't you hear the agreement with True Immortal Zhang? All we have to do is to maintain our control over 50 percent of the World Origin Source connected to our continent."

The Triple Frost Palace Master understood what he had to do and once he left, he started to pass the order to increase the influence of their Holy Land on the World Origin Source. At the same time, he continued to keep tabs on the Tongyou Institution's actions.

News returned quickly. The Tongyou Institution was rapidly taking over the World Origin Source, and they already controlled 10 percent.

The Triple Frost Palace Master quickly reported to the ancestors.

Nodding slightly to express their understanding, they continued to wait. Their unperturbed attitude seemed to ease the nerves of many cultivators of the Triple Frost Palace.

Not long after, the Triple Frost Palace Master came back with another report. Their control over the World Origin Source had d decreased to 45 percent because of the expansion, and the Tongyou Institution controlled 20 percent of it.

"Why are you so flustered?!" Yin Dezheng's expression sank. "As the Palace Master, can't you maintain your composure? How many of our disciples are looking at you right now? It's just 20 percent of the World Origin Source and you're acting like it's the end of the world..."

The Triple Frost Palace Master left embarrassed as the ancestors remained in the Holy Land to preside over matters.

After several hours, the Triple Frost Palace Master came back to report. The Ji Continent has surpassed 10,000 miles, but due to the World Origin Source expanding, their control fell to a mere 40 percent. The Tongyou Institution didn't slow down and controlled 25 percent.

The Triple Frost Palace Master quickly received a reply from the ancestors.

We have already sent a transmission to True Immortal Zhang. It won't be long before he makes his move. All we have to do is to hold our ground!

Along with the assimilation of the last piece of the world fragment, the Tongyou Institution started to boldly fight for control over the World Origin Source of the Ji Continent. They quickly surpassed 30 percent, almost closing in on 40.

The Triple Frost Palace Master once again raised a concern to the ancestors. The World Origin Source was still fluctuating, but the Triple Frost Palace still had some energy left from defending what they originally controlled. His suggestion was to fight for control of the World Origin Source, or if they truly refused to do so, they should disrupt the Tongyou Institution's attempt at control.

To that, he received a strict warning from the ancestors.

True Immortal Zhang has already mentioned that we cannot get greedy if we fall into the Tongyou Institution's trap. True Immortal Zhang should be storing energy as we speak. If the Tongyou Institution dares to overstep their boundaries, he will definitely make his move. In fact, they might suffer big time if they get careless!

The Triple Frost Palace Master had no choice. Without the support of the ancestors, he couldn't launch an offensive against the Tongyou Institution. He could only watch as the World Origin Source of the Ji Continent was lost as the institution gradually controlled more than 50 percent.

Unable to hold it in any longer, he tried to urge the ancestors to take action. "The Tongyou Institution has already controlled more than 50 percent of the World Origin Source. The moment it reaches 60 percent, they will control the continent! When will True Immortal Zhang make his move?"

None of the 3 ancestors know how to respond.

The 3 of them, who had acted without worry at the start, were finally unable to conceal their shock. The Triple Frost Palace Master seemed to have also realized that something was wrong and his expression changed. "What's going on?! What did the Northern Sea Mystic Sect say?!"

The ancestors couldn't reply. Yin Dezheng's expression was overcast while Jin Delin's gaze shifted from side to side. Hu Dexun didn't dare to look at the Triple Frost Palace Master.

"They didn't respond to your transmissions, did they?!" A look of desperation appeared on the Triple Frost Palace Master's face as he growled.

Their silence only confirmed his guess.

"You guys...!" The Triple Frost Palace Master growled and pointed at the ancestors with rage. He wanted nothing more than to curse them with everything he had. They had always taken charge of the Triple Frost Palace, turning him into nothing more than their puppet. However, he felt powerless just as the words reached his lips and he realized there was no point in scolding them and could only hold his rage in.

Reality proved that the Triple Frost Palace had been played by others!

Or perhaps... The Northern Sea Mystic Sect were intimidated by the Tongyou Institution at the very last second, choosing to give up on them.

Whatever it was, there was one thing they couldn't deny. They had already lost the best time to fight back against the Tongyou Institution, and the Ji Continent had already fallen under their control.

Be it Shang Bo, who was taking charge of the expansion of the Ji Continent, or Shang Xia, who had revealed his cultivation at the level of Returning to the Origin... Neither could believe that controlling the World Origin Source of the Ji Continent would go so smoothly!

The Triple Frost Palace that dominated the Ji Continent, had a Holy Land of their own. If they made use of it, they should be able to wrestle some control from the Tongyou Institution.

However, facing their invasion, the Triple Frost Palace's reaction couldn't even be considered lackluster. There was no fucking reaction at all!

Not only did they not interfere when the Tongyou Institution tried to control the World Origin Source, but they didn't even try to interfere with them as they strengthened their control over it.

If the Triple Frost Palace tried something, they probably wouldn't only control the last 35 percent of the World Origin Source!

When Shang Bo discovered that they had already controlled more than 60 percent of the World Origin Source connected to the Ji Continent, he looked like he was curious about something and decided to try messing with the portion the Triple Frost Palace controlled.

Surprisingly, the moment he tried, the Triple Frost Palace seemed completely passive. He actually obtained a little more control over the World Origin Source.

His actions seemed to have awoken the sleeping beast as the Triple Frost palace started to heavily defend whatever they still controlled.

Seeing as he couldn't gain more, Shang Bo decided to no longer mess with them. He also consolidated his control of the World Origin Source.

With that, Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia's plot to control the World Origin Source of the Ji Continent came to an end.

When everything was happening, Shang Xia had a vague feeling that there were some disturbances in the Yong Continent and the Northern Sea Continent. However, everything returned to normal as soon as he released his aura. It was as though nothing happened in the first place.

Just as Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue were about to celebrate their success, a strange fluctuation came from the Bing Continent and it seemed as though something strange was happening during Ge Qingzhu's attempt to brand his soul into the world!

Chapter 1309: Coming In Clutch

The sudden change in Ge Qingzhu's breakthrough alerted Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue.

Kou Chongxue appeared above the You Continent to stand beside Shang Xia while looking in the direction of the Bing Continent. He asked, "What's the matter?"

Shaking his head, Shang Xia mumbled, "No clue, it happened too suddenly. I don't know what's happening yet."

"Did someone mess with him?" Kou Chongxue asked again.

"The World Origin Source connected to the Bing Continent had always been under my supervision. No one in our Spirit Luxuriant World has the ability to plot against him." Shang Xia continued to shake his head.

Soon after, he sighed softly, "I'm afraid Instructor Ge himself might be unlucky..."

Kou Chongxue could only sigh in defeat.

Actually, both of them knew that successfully advancing into the Martial Void Realm was really rare. Usually, anyone who tried would run into some sort of problem.

It would be strange if everything went smoothly. Like when Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue broke through to become True Immortals... The situation was even more strange!

In order to push Sun Haiwei and Ge Qingzhu into the Martial Void Realm, the Tongyou Institution made a lot of preparations. The price they paid was astronomically high. If Ge Qingzhu's attempt ended in failure, they might say that it could have been expected, but it would be difficult to stomach the loss nonetheless.

"Can we continue to strengthen the World Origin Source connected to the Bing Continent? If so..."

Before Kou Chongxue could finish, Shang Xia already knew what he wanted to say. He shook his head and mumbled, "The Bing Continent has already surpassed the 10,000 mile mark and the World Origin Source connected to it is already at a state of abundance. It's the best we can get for an initial breakthrough to the Martial Void Realm. Even if we increase the size of the continent by several thousand miles, it will only be beneficial to a high-level True Immortal. As for the World Origin Source... His best chance to advance is when the integration of the world fragment. If I make a move now and stabilize the World Origin Source before trying to expand it a little more, it will only harm him..."

"Everything we could have done to assist his breakthrough had to be done before. The moment the process started, he could only rely on himself..." Shang Xia concluded.

Kou Chongxue sounded rather regretful as he mumbled, "Is there really no other way? No matter what, he was pretty lucky. He ran into many dangers during his cultivation, but he dealt with them every single time. If he dies here... It will be such a pity."

Shang Xia shot Kou Chongxue a strange gaze in response. "Old man, you seem to have unrealistically high expectations of everyone in the institution... How exaggerated are your expectations to think that everyone should be a Free True Immortal? Have you forgotten that our Elysium is still lacking an Elysium True Immortal and we have to place a clone back there whenever we leave?"

With his eyes widening slightly, Kou Chongxue quickly snapped back to reality. He slapped his forehead and yelled, "Right, I'm getting old and senile! What are we waiting for? Hurry up and pull his soul back from the World Origin Source connected to the Bing Continent!"

Ge Qingzhu might have tried to use the spirituality of the Bing Continent to try to ascend, and the Tongyou Elysium might have been located in the You Continent. However, an Elysium was like an individual region of space that was stuck to the world itself and was connected to the World Origin Source. Even though the World Origin Source was also connected to the rest of the continents, those were mere connections. The World Origin Source was a giant sea, interconnected to each other, and as such, the Tongyou Elysium could be said to be connected to the World Origin Source of the Bing Continent in a way.

Ge Qingzhu might be a little unlucky when breaking through, and his attempt at branding his soul into the world by relying on the spirituality of the Bing Continent might end in failure, but he was going to blame anyone for it.

Of course... He knew that with Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia watching over him, they wouldn't let him die without trying some way to save him. He didn't expect them to be able to help him much, but that was before he realized that Shang Xia had stepped into the level of Returning to the Origin.

With Shang Xia's cultivation level, he could greatly influence the World's Will and the World Origin Source! Of course, his powerful soul was also a very important factor when it came to his influence over the World Origin Source.

If any other fifth tier True Immortal were to take his place, it might be difficult for them to drag Ge Qingzhu's soul from the World Origin Source connected to the Bing Continent back to the You Continent, and then back into the Tongyou Elysium.

When he tried... Shang Xia discovered it was actually pretty easy! That would also mean that Ge Qingzhu would be able to become a True Immortal, just that he would be chained to the Tongyou Elysium forever.

Whatever it was, that point alone showed that Ge Qingzhu's luck was still off the charts! No matter what, he still became a True Immortal.

The process that followed was pretty uneventful. Shang Xia managed to protect Ge Qingzhu's soul while bringing it back to the Tongyou Elysium, and Ge Qingzhu didn't let him down. After he

returned, he successfully made use of the spirituality of the Elysium to become a True Immortal, allowing them to finally possess their very own Elysium True Immortal!

With that, the 4th True Immortal of the Tongyou Institution was born. He was also the 15th True Immortal of the Spirit Luxuriant World.

If the Northern Sea Mystic Sect had a record for nurturing 4 True Immortals in total, the Tongyou Institution had already caught up to them! Moreover, 2 of the 4 True Immortals of the Tongyou Institution were also high-level True Immortals, who were also the only high-level True Immortals of the Spirit Luxuriant World.

The Spirit Luxuriant World was completely shocked and awed by the Tongyou Institution's achievements.

Despite every single expert realizing what the Tongyou Institution was about to do when Sun Haiwei started her breakthrough and Kou Chongxue started to split up the world fragment, they were still shocked when they witnessed how the Tongyou Institution actually pulled it off!

They produced 2 True Immortals in one go, with a 0 percent chance of failure!

Even though the process of Ge Qingzhu's advancement didn't go smoothly, he successfully became an Elysium True Immortal. There was no need for the high-level True Immortals to be worried that their Elysium would be infiltrated when they were away, and for the Tongyou Institution's inheritance to reach its end.

Be it Sun Haiwei and Ge Qingzhu's luck, achievement, or the massive support they received from their faction... Every single expert who had plans to attack the bottleneck to become True Immortals felt extremely jealous of them.

Many of them even had strange thoughts forming in their minds.

If only I could receive the same support from Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia... I would definitely be able to...

If the rest of the world were shocked by the Tongyou Institution's achievement of producing 2 True Immortals at once, the True Immortals of the Spirit Luxuriant World were more focused on the Tongyou Institution's actions of bringing the Hai Continent, the Bing Continent, and Ji Continent to a state of perfection.

That wasn't all. Other than the 3 continents, the Liao Continent had also increased its landmass from 7,000 miles to 9,000 miles. It was a single step away from reaching a state of perfection. The Yan Continent had also expanded to 7,500 miles and managed to greatly strengthen the World Origin Source connected to it.

The expansion of the continents was what the True Immortals of the Spirit Luxuriant World valued. After all, that represented the growth of the world!

Along with the growth of many continents and the descent of the World's Will blessing, many experts who took part in the operation would experience a period of growth.

At the same time, with Sun Haiwei relying on the spirituality of the Hai Continent and Ge Qingzhu using the Tongyou Institution, that would mean the institution still had the Bing Continent and Ji Continent if they wished to produce more True Immortals in the future!

Chapter 1310: Curtains Call

A Spirit World required 24 continents that surpassed 10,000 miles and 9 Elysiums to ascend to an Essence World.

The actions of the Tongyou Institution caused the Hai Continent, Bing Continent, and Ji Continent to reach the state of perfection for a Spirit World, with landmass surpassing 10,000 miles. The Liao Continent also reached a size of 9,000 miles, closing in on that level.

Because of that, the blessing of the World's Will never stopped descending and even though Shang Xia had already reached the level of Returning to the Origin, the superimposition of the World's Will blessing didn't stop, and his cultivation continued to rise.

Before they brought back the world fragment, there were only several continents that reached the state of perfection. They were the Northern Sea Continent, Yong Continent, Jiao Continent, Jing Continent, and You Continent. Of them, the Northern Sea Continent and Yong Continent had far surpassed the 10,000 mile mark, and so did the Jiao Continent. However, the Jiao C continent's foundations and World Origin Source barely reached the level of a continent that had just reached the state of perfection.

After splitting up the world fragment, the Spirit Luxuriant World would possess 8 continents at the state of perfection instead of 5, and a third of the continents of their world reached the standard required for world ascension. The Shu, Yi, Liao, and Wu Continents had also reached a size of 9,000 miles, ready to take the final step.

As the integration of the world fragment came to a close, nearly a month had passed since Shang Xia brought the Spirit World Ark back. It took nearly a month for them to split up the world fragment up till the point Ge Qingzhu became an Elysium True Immortal.

Actually, the World Origin Source was still expanding due to the growth of the world, but with the situation pretty much set, there was nothing else for the True Immortals to do.

Several days later, above the heavenly screen above the Jiao Continent, the True Immortals of the Spirit Luxuriant World met.

Every single True Immortal, whether they were putting up a facade or not, congratulated the members of the Tongyou Institution happily. Their gazes were exceptionally complicated when they looked at Shang Xia.

After congratulating the Tongyou Institution, all of them turned to Yin Jingxu to congratulate him on breaking through to the second tier of the Martial Void Realm.

As they offered their best wishes, many of them thought to themselves about how Yin Jingxu definitely gained a lot of benefits when he took part in the War of the Spirit Tinkle World with Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia in the past.

After exchanging a round of pleasantries, Liu Jingsheng suddenly joked, "Now that all 15 True Immortals of our Spirit Luxuriant World have gathered, we are no longer considered a weak existence among Spirit Worlds. However, this gathering seems a little sad because of how it's being done. Why don't we construct a grand hall here in order to carry out our meetings in the future?"

Liu Jingsheng's suggestion immediately gained the usually silent Li Jidao's approval. However, thinking about how Li Jidao was someone who greatly valued his status, it didn't come as a

surprise. After all, a grand hall for the meeting of True Immortals couldn't emphasize their importance more.

Huang Jinghan and Jiu Jing naturally wouldn't disagree with them, and the other True Immortals didn't really give a shit. As such, the construction of the grand hall was agreed upon.

The next moment, Yin Jingxu laughed, "Since we're going to establish a grand hall here, we have to give it a name, right? We can't possibly call it a bad name like the 'Meeting Hall' or something like that, right?"

Kou Chongxue chuckled in response. "Of course, No matter what, we're existences at the peak of our Spirit Luxuriant World, and every decision we make will affect our world. Let's use our world as the title of the hall and call it the Spirit Luxuriant Hall."

Since Kou Chongxue had spoken, Shang Xia naturally had no objections. The other True Immortals started to discuss among themselves and give suggestions, and matters regarding the Spirit Luxuriant Hall were set.

The structure that would represent the highest levels of decision making of the Spirit Luxuriant World was thus decided to be built, and it would also serve as the beacon of motivation for high-level experts to strive to be True Immortals.

Only after gaining the qualifications to join the Spirit Luxuriant Hall would one be considered a true powerhouse of the Spirit Luxuriant World!

After settling the matter with the hall, they started to talk about the progress of the Spirit Luxuriant World and what they should do going forward.

"We completed the establishment of the Five Element Teleportation Formation between our world and the other 2 worlds. We have also started our interactions with them. However, we are facing greater pressure from them to complete the Five Element Teleportation Formation between the Spirit Tinkle World and Spirit Thistle World..." Yang Taihe was still the person who spoke first. However, this matter concerned Chu Jia, the rank six Formation Grandmaster of the Tongyou Institution, and the question was thus directed at Kou Chongxue. Yang Taihe continued, "Patriarch Kou, this matter was supposed to be supported by Grandmaster Chu of your institution, but she disappeared after we received a batch of resources from the other worlds. She didn't say why she left, and we can't make sense of what happened."

Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia forced a laugh while looking at each other.

Eventually, Shang Xia was the one to speak, "In the past, I obtained a Spirit World Ark from a bunch of Star Pirates. That's the ark that brought the world fragment back to our world, and Hall Master Chu has been distracted by it. She has been studying the formations on it that have been used to seal a world fragment."

"Oh? Spirit World Ark?"

"Star Pirates?"

"True Immortal Shang, can you give us a simple introduction of the sea of stars outside? We have been staying in our region of space and don't know much about the outside world. We are very curious about your experience."

Seeing how Shang Xia mentioned the Spirit World Ark, everyone who wanted to ask about it for the longest time finally saw an opportunity. Of course, there were some who were really curious about the sea of stars beyond the Star Origin Dao Field, and there were others who wanted to know how he transported such a massive world fragment in a small ark.

Shang Xia expected as much and he had already made his preparations to answer their questions. He didn't hide most of what happened and he spoke about his experience when trying to locate the Essence Xing World. That included the situation within their world where everyone was pretty much up in arms ready to destroy each other.

He also spoke about the Chaotic Sea of Stars where Star Pirates operated.

It wasn't that Shang Xia wanted to give away information for free, especially what he experienced after risking his life... However, he wanted to expand their horizons, and he hoped that most of them would be able to turn their attention to the vast sea of stars rather than trying to cause internal strife in the Spirit Luxuriant World.

When he was done, he didn't forget to remind them, "The Essence Xing World became unable to grow stronger because of the increased tension within their world. An Essence World like theirs should have countless experts, and they should be able to easily see a way to get themselves out of their current predicament. They have been trying to look for other worlds, and they never gave up finding another target."

Zhang Xuansheng's expression changed slightly and he asked, "In that case... Has the Essence Xing World ever tried to spy on us?"

Looking at the old monster who they still couldn't see through despite their superior cultivation level, Shang Xia muttered, "It's not that they didn't try. In fact, they already attempted to look into us. When I discovered the Piercing Cloud Bandits, I learned that the Dachen Dynasty had already asked them for information about us."

Shang Xia didn't keep it a secret that he pretended to be from the Essence Ping World. The True Immortals of the great powers long since heard about it. Whenever they took over his place to protect Star Beast Nest No.2, they would naturally not make the mistake of exposing their true identity.

After thinking for a moment, Li Jidao asked, "The higher-ups of the Essence Ming World and Essence Hong World should be the only ones who know about the Essence Ping World. Are the Star Pirates so powerful that they can learn about the Essence Ping World from them?"

Shang Xia sighed softly in response. He retrieved the token of the Dark Star Pirates and mumbled, "I'm afraid I have bad news... This is something left behind by a Star Pirate, and I obtained it after killing a second tier True Immortal of the Essence Ming World."

Other than Kou Chongxue, who had seen it before, everyone's eyes widened in shock and Lu Wuzi yelled, "What the hell? Is a second tier True Immortal of the Essence Ming World hiding his identity as a Star Pirate?!"

He was still in charge of protecting Star Beast Nest No.1, and the Spirit Faith World and their once-affiliated worlds had submitted to the Essence Ming World. He also fought with them twice and even though they gained the advantage the second time with the help of the Five Element Teleportation Formation, he was still afraid of them.

As soon as Lu Wuzi spoke, a mocking snort came from somewhere behind Zhang Xuansheng. Looking closely, the person who spoke was Fei Xuzi, the Northern Sea Mystic Sect's newest True Immortal.

Lu Wuzi glanced at Fei Xuzi, but he didn't really care about the provocation.

Shang Xia was too lazy to care about the grudges between the old members of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect and the current members. He simply continued, "It's not that he has a hidden identity... There are rumors in the Chaotic Sea of Stars that some of the Star Pirate groups are backed by Martial Emptiness Realm experts. They might very well be backed by an Essence World!"

Huang Jinghan, who was usually a man of few words, asked suddenly, "Does that mean that the moment news of the Essence Ping World spreads in the Chaotic Sea of Stars, the Star Pirate group backed by the Essence Ming World will definitely become interested in it?"

Shang Xia nodded slightly without saying more.

Yin Jingxu exhaled a long breath. "Fortunately, True Immortal Shaang killed the second tier True Immortal Star Pirate of the Essence Ming World. Their plan was definitely to locate us through the spatial tunnel in Star Beast Nest No.1."

Kou Chongxue added at the side, "What we know now is that it's a matter of time before our Spirit Luxuriant World is exposed to the 2 great Essence Worlds. The most important thing is how much we can grow before then! As such... We have to accept the invitation of the Star Origin Dao Field to take part in the assault on the Essence Ping World whether we like it or not!"

With that, Kou Chongxue revealed the true agenda of their meeting.